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Title: Elizabeth Jamison Hodges Collection

Date: mainly 1960-1989

Extent: about 6 cubic feet

Scope and Content Abstract: The collection contains typescripts of pantoums; notes, draft typescripts, page proofs of three works by Hodges, namely *Serendipity Tales, Song of Gilgamesh*, and *Three Princes*.

Biographical Abstract (based on Schlesinger Library holding note in OCLC record# 122576159): Elizabeth Jamison Hodges was born in Atlanta, Ga. in 1908 to William Lemmon Hodges and Elizabeth Jamison Hodges (1884-1980). Schooled in the Boston and New York areas, she was graduated from Radcliffe College (A.B. 1931) and Simmons College (1937). She was a librarian at the Boston Public Library (1937-1941), the Detroit Public Library (1941-1943), and at public libraries in Watertown, Leominster, Belmont, Ma, as well as at the Robbins Library in Arlington, MA.; following World War II, she was the Command Librarian for the Third Army in Germany, establishing libraries for American occupation troops. She wrote 4 children's books: The Three Princes of Serendip (New York 1964, illustrated by Joan Berg), Serendipity Tales (New York, 1966, illustrated by June Atkin Corwin), A Song for Gilgamesh (New York, 1971, illustrated by David Omar White), and Free as a Frog (New York, 1971, illustrated by Paul Giovanopoulos). She taught creative writing at the Harvard Institute for Learning in Retirement for 20 years. She died on October 21, 1999 in New London, NH.

Language: The collection is in English.

System of Arrangement: Alphabetical order

Subjects: children's literature

Conditions Governing Access: The collection is unrestricted.

Immediate Source of Acquisition: unknown

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BOX LIST

Box #1 Pantoums; Serendipity Tales

Box#2 Serendipity Tales

Box #3 & 4 Song of Gilgamesh

Box #5 & 6 Three Princes